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SUBJ: CIVAIR: TICKET REBATING

REF: (A) STATE 83252, (B) PARIS 9640

1. WE HAVE NOT INITIATED FURTHER CONTACT (REF A)
WITH MR. RONALD RICHARDS FOR SEVERAL REASONS. FIRST,
CONDITION WHICH HE HAD IMPOSED WAS SOME PRIOR
REACTION FROM CAB ON HOW USEFUL CAB HAD FOUND INFO
WHICH HE HAD PREVIOUSLY SENT DIRECTLY TO CAB BUREAU
OF ENFORCEMENT. REFTEL WAS NOT AT ALL RESPONSIVE TO
THIS REQUEST, ESPECIALLY SINCE FYI CAVEAT PRECLUDED
US EVEN FROM IMPARTING TO RICHARDS KNOWLEDGE THAT HE
HAD PROVIDED INFO ONLY ON EUROPEAN-ORIGIN VIOLATIONS,
WHICH HE KNEW SINCE HE HAD BEEN THE SOURCE OF THE
INFO. WE MUST CONFESS TO HAVING BEEN A BIT
SURPRISED AT THE TIME THAT CAB WOULD CHOOSE
NOT TO FOLLOW UP ON EUROPEAN-ORIGIN VIOLATIONS
ON CARRIER TRAFFIC TO US, WHICH ARE NO
LESS A VIOLATION OF CAB REGULATIONS ON
TARIFF FILINGS AND DETRIMENTAL TO THE INTERESTS
OF US CARRIERS. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES WE SEEMED
TO HAVE LITTLE BAIT WITH WHICH TO DRAW MORE INFO
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FROM RICHARDS. HE HAS SENT US COPY OF YET E
ANOTHER TELEX HE ADDRESSED TO PIA PARIS IN WHICH
HE PROVIDES MUCH OF THE KIND OF DETAIL ON A SPECIAL
DISCOUNTING OPERATION THAT IS REQUIRED IN PARA 4
REF (A), AND COPIES WERE POUCHED TO EB/AN FOR SHARING
WITH CAB.

2. EMBASSY RELATIONS WITH RICHARDS HAVE SINCE
DETERIORATED FOR ANOTHER REASON ANYWAY, WHICH HAS
AGGRAVATED THE CASE OF VERBAL DIARRHEA THAT
MANIFESTS ITSELF IN THE VERBOSE AND SASSY
TELEX MESSAGES HE DELIGHTS IN FIRING OFF RIGHT
AND LEFT. (ONE HOPE, IF HIS FINANCIAL PLIGHT IS
AS BAD AS HE HAS CLAIMED, IS THAT HE WILL SOON
NO LONGER BE ABLE TO MEET HIS TELEX BILLS AND THE SER-
VICE WILL BE DISCONNECTED.) SPECIFICALLY, EMBASSY
OBJECTED TO UNFOUNDED MENTION IN
RICHARD'S ADVERTISING IN "LOW COST FLIGHTS" SECTION
OF CLASSIFIED ADS IN INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE
THAT HIS FIRM WAS "RECOMMENDED BY US EMBASSY,"
AND TRIBUNE AGREED TO DELETION OF OFFENDING PHRASE.
THIS HAS BROUGHT THE FULL WRATH OF RICHARD'S
VERBAL RETRIBUTION DOWN ON THE EMBASSY AND ON THE
TRIBUNE. WE ARE POUCHING COPIES OF THESE EXCHANGES.
WE ALSO NOTE THAT HE RECENTLY FIRED OFF A TE/EX
TO RICHARD O'MELIA, MEMBER OF THE CAB, OF WHICH THE
DEPT. PROBABLY HAS A COPY.

3. WE HAD BEEN TEMPTED TO WRITE TO PIA, PARIS,
WITH A COPY TO RICHARDS, TAKING EXCEPTION TO CERTAIN
GROSS MISREPRESENTATIONS OF THE EMBASSY'S POSITION
IN IELEXES TO PIA OF WHICH RICHARDS HAS SENT
US COPIES, BUT WE HAVE REFRAINED FROM DOING SO IN
ORDER NOT TO RISK INJECTING AN EXTRANEOUS ELEMENT
INTO RICHARD'S PENDING LAWSUIT AGAINST PIA AND
BECAUSE WE SUSPECT THAT PIA KNOWS RICHARDS WELL
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BY NOW AND DOESN'T TAKE ALL HIS RANTING
SERIOUSLY.

4. IF THERE IS ANY FUTURE CAB CORRESPONDENCE
WITH RICHARDS WE WOULD PREFER THAT IT BE
THROUGH EMBASSY.
GAMMON

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